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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) San Diego – Cross Border Tunnel Had Rails to Carry Drugs

(U) A clandestine drug tunnel discovered last week between Tijuana and San Diego stretched for more than 600 yards and had metal rails, lighting and ventilation, authorities said yesterday. A statement sent out by Mexico's military and the Baja California State Preventive Police also said that the tunnel was buried approximately seven yards underground. It was about four feet high and about three feet wide, the statement said. Mexican authorities counted 371 packages of a substance believed to be marijuana that weighed more than two tons.

SOURCE: 24 October 2016, The San Diego Union-Tribune

(U) Santa Barbara – Abandoned Drug Trafficking Panga Found

(U) An abandoned panga was found in Santa Barbara on Sunday about one half mile south of Mariposa Reina. A Santa Barbara County Sheriff's helicopter spotted the suspected narcotic trafficking boat during a routine patrol of the coastal area. Authorities searched the boat and surrounding area but did not locate any drugs or suspects. Eighteen containers with at least 130 gallons of fuel were discovered on board.

SOURCE: 24 October 2016, KTLA 5

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Virginia – Two Women Convicted of Raising Money for Al-Shabaab

(U) Alexandria – Two women who helped raise several thousand dollars for the Somali militant group Al-Shabaab have been convicted of providing support to a terrorist organization. Federal judge Anthony Trenga found the women — Hinda Osman Dhirane, of Kent, Washington, and Muna Osman Jama of Reston — guilty on most of the charges they faced at a hearing today in Alexandria. Prosecutors say the women used an online chat room to round up small contributions on behalf of Al-Shabaab. The women could face sentences of 15 years or more when they are sentenced in January.

SOURCE: 25 October 2016, Associated Press

(U) Virginia – Gunman Kills 1, Injures Several Others in Workplace Shooting

(U) Roanoke – Police say a man fatally shot a person and wounded several others inside a rail car manufacturing company in Virginia before apparently killing himself. Roanoke police spokesman Scott Leamon says the shooting took place around 6 a.m. today at FreightCar America, located in an industrial area near downtown Roanoke. He says authorities are working to identify the shooter and determine whether he was connected to the company, which has an overnight shift and was open at the time. SOURCE: 25 October 2016, <u>Associated Press</u>

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) China – Chinese Firm Issues US Recall after Cyberattack

(U) Beijing – A Chinese electronics maker that has recalled millions of products sold in the US said today

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it did all it could to prevent a massive cyberattack that briefly blocked access to websites including Twitter and Netflix. Hangzhou Xiongmai Technology said millions of web-connected cameras and digital recorders became compromised because customers failed to change their default passwords. Xiongmai's marketing director said that Xiongmai and other companies across the home surveillance equipment industry were made aware of the vulnerability in April 2015. SOURCE: 25 October 2016, Associated Press

(U) Mexico - Over 20k Unaccompanied Child Migrants Detained by Mexico in 2015

(U) Mexico City – Mexico detained more than 20,000 unaccompanied child migrants, mostly from Central America, in 2015, authorities said yesterday. That was double the number of the year before and a sign of the worsening migration crisis in the region, where many pass through heading to seek refuge in the United States. Mexico's National Human Rights Commission said the minors were at risk of kidnapping and rape by criminal gangs or even by corrupt officials.

SOURCE: 25 October 2016, Associated Foreign Press

(U) Pakistan – 48 Killed in Attack on Police Training Center

(U) Quetta – Gunmen stormed a police training center yesterday in Pakistan's Baluchistan province and detonated explosive vests, killing at least 48 police trainees, authorities said. Baluchistan's top health official, Noorul Haq, said at least 116 people were wounded — mostly police trainees and some paramilitary troops. Major General Sher Afgan, chief of the paramilitary Frontier Corps said that the attackers appeared to be in contact with handlers in Afghanistan. He said the attackers belonged to the banned Lashker-e-Jhangvi Al-Almi group, an Islamic militant group affiliated with al-Qa'ida.

SOURCE: 24 October 2016, Associated Press

(U) Spain – Police Arrest Two Suspected Pro-Jihad Imams

(U) Madrid – Spain's Interior Ministry says police have arrested two imams suspected of promoting the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) on the Mediterranean island of Ibiza. A ministry statement said the Moroccan-born imams were arrested today in the town of Sant Antoni de Portmany. The ministry said they used the Masllid al Fath mosque where they worked, and a social media network to spread propaganda for ISIL among the Muslim community.

SOURCE: 25 October 2016, Associated Press

(U) Tunisia – Authorities Arrest Two Americans Suspected of Ties to ISIL

(U) Tunis – Police in Tunisia have arrested two American citizens on suspicion of terrorist activities after finding videos and pictures praising ISIL, a security official said today. The official said the suspects, aged 29 and 32, had come to Tunisia to study and that one of them had married a Tunisian woman who had travelled to Syria. The men are due to appear before a judge after being detained in Jandouba, the official said. No one was immediately available to comment at the US Embassy in Tunis.

SOURCE: 25 October 2016, Reuters

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